Recruitment Centres of Para-Military forces

4802. SHRI M.V.V.S. MURTHY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the existing recruitment centres of the para-military forces, force-wise and State-wise;

(b) whether there is any proposal to set up a permanent recruitment centre at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) The para military forces do not have permanent recruiting centre at fixed places. Recruitment to the rank of Constables/Riflemen is made through recruitment rallies conducted in various parts of the country by special recruitment teams detailed for this purpose.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Allotment of Natural Gas to Industries

4803. SHRI M.V.V.S MURTHY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the natural gas allotted to various industries, during the last two years, state-wise;

(b) the criteria adopted for allotment of gas to indusries;

(c) whether there is any proposal to further develop the tapping of natural gas in Andhra Padesh in the Eighth Plan; and

(d) if so, the details and the expected quantum of gas?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b). Allocations to the extent of approx. 30 MMSCMD have been made in the last two years in the States of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Uttar Pdesh, Madhya Padesh, Rajasthan, Haryana, Delhi, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Assam and Tripura, on the basis of requirements of the core sector, best economic use etc.

(c) and (d). Yes, Sir. According to latest estimates, 3.2 MMSCMD of gas is expected to be available in the K.G. basin by the end of the VIII th Plan period.

National Seeds Corporation

4804. SHRI M.V.V.S MURTHY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the loss incurred by the National Seeds Corporation (NSC) during 199091 and 1991-92;

(b) whether the National Seeds Corporation provides assistance to the State Seed Corporations; and

(c) if so, the financial assistance extended to Andhra Pradesh Seed Corporation during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) National Seeds Corporation (NSC) had incurred a loss of Rs. 898. 73 lakhs in its operation during 1990-91. As the accounts for 1991-92 are yet to be finalised, the profit/loss accounts of the Corporation are not available at present.